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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 November 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 03 November 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-2,4,13,19-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Dugan (US 6,804,711).
(Claims 1, 13, and 19)

Dugan discloses a method for adapting memory-resident database in a flexible service logic execution environment (FSLEE) (col. 21, lines 40-48, 54 +), comprising the steps of constructing a service table in an FSLEE application; providing a memory based database environment (MBE) (col. 21, lines 54 +) indicator to the service table; setting the MBE indicator of the service table in a database configuration file; and providing service independent building blocks (SIBs) (col. 3, lines 6 +) to access the MBE table constructed in the FSLEE application.

(Claims 2, 20)

Dugan discloses further comprising attaching a time stamp (col. 22, lines 21 +) to the MBE database records after each access.

(Claim 4)

Dugan discloses returning a status indicator; and attaching a time stamp to the inserted record (col. 22, lines 25-29, 54-61).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 3,5-12,14-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dugan (US 6,804,711) in view of Miller (US 7,051,041).

(Claims 3,15)

Dugan discloses substantially all of the elements, except inserting a record into the service table. Miller teaches inserting a record into the service table (figures 5 and 11). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to inserting record in the table has a unique hash key. This database methodology has been used for simple table for many years, and is available on hundreds of different platforms as Miller teaches in col. 1, lines 7-25.

(Claims 5,16)

Miller teaches reading a record in the service table.

(Claims 6,8)

Miller teaches locking (figure 10) the record before the reading step; and returning a status indicator.

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(Claims 7,17)

Miller teaches updating (figure 6) a record in the service table.

(Claims 9,10,18)

Miller teaches deleting (figure 7) a record in the service table.

(Claims 11,12)

Miller teaches unlocking (col. 6, lines 5-12, 33-38,58-63) a record in the service table.

(Claim 14)

Miller teaches an application framework (AF) that clears record locks in the FSLEE application (figure 10).

Inquiry

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Binh V. Ho whose telephone number is 571 272 8583. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 8:00AM - 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Don K. Wong can be reached on 571 272 1834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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